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CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit the prior art listed hereinbelow was cited in the corresponding European International Search Report.

The undersigned hereby certifies that the item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in the European International Search Report issued on January 7, 2010.

The undersigned submits the above-identified references for independent consideration by the Examiner and does not make any admission that these references are or are not material to the present invention or that these references are or are not prior art with respect to the present invention.

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